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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSIONER

1. US CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSIONER BARBARA HACKMAN FRANKLIN WILL BE VISITING PARIS AND OTHER EUROPEAN CITIES IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER PRIOR TO SPEAKING AT A CONFERENCE IN LONDON SPETEMBER 9 AND 10 SPONSORED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDIZATION AND THE BRITISH STANDARDS INSTITUTION. FRANKLIN WOULD LIKE TO CONFER IN PARIS WITH EMBASSY, GOF, AND NON-GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AS APPROPRIATE IN AREAS OF CONSUMER PROTECTION, COST BENEFITS, ECONOMICS, LABOR, WOMEN'S AFFAIRS. SHE IS ALSO INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH SENIOR WOMEN OFFICIALS IN ANY FIELD.

2. FRANKLIN REQUESTS MEETINGS IN PARIS AUGUST 30 AND 31, AND IS AWARE THAT MANY FRENCH OFFICIALS WILL BE ON VACATION. SHE WOULD APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM EMBASSY AS TO PERSONS IN ANY OF HER AREAS OF INTEREST THAT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE.

3. AT EMBASSY FRANKLIN WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH DCM AND OTHER OFFICERS AS APPROPRIATE, POSSIBLY LABATT. SUGGEST EMBASSY COORDINATE MEETINGS WITH OECD OFFICERS FORRESTER

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AND GILMER WHO HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

CONCERNING VISIT.

4. FRANKLIN WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE WITH GROUND TRANSPORTATION DURING VISIT. PLEASE ADVISE OF POSSIBILITIES. SHE ARRIVES PARIS -- CDG AIRPORT AUGUST 28 AT 10:20 A.M., DEPARTS SEPTEMBER 1 AT 2:00 P.M. AND EXPECTS FULL SCHEDULE AUGUST 30-31.

5. FOLLOWING IS FRANKLIN'S PROFESSIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

MAY 1973 - PRESENT: COMMISSIONER, US CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION.

1971 - 73 - WHITE HOUSE STAFF ASSISTANT, CHARGED WITH RECRUITMENT OF WOMEN FOR USG POLICY-MAKING POSITIONS.

PRIOR TO 1971 - ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT, FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK IN NEW YORK, IN CHARGE OF CORPORATE PLANNING AND DIVERSIFICATION ACTIVITIES; ALSO HEAD OF THE BANK'S GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT; MANAGER OF ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS AT THE SINGER COMPANY.

FRANKLIN, 36, IS GRADUATE OF PENN STATE UNIVERSITY AND HOLDS MBA FROM HARVARD AS WELL AS HONORARY DOCTOR OF SCIENCE FROM BRYANT COLLEGE IN PROVIDENCE, RI. DOES NOT SPEAK FRENCH. KISSINGER

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